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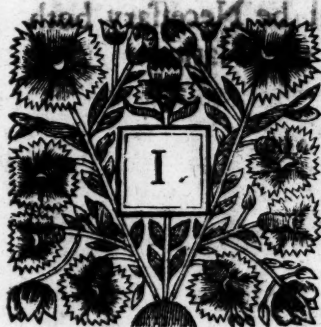
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My Lords and Gentlemen,



I am always Glad to Meet you here, and I could heartily wish, that Our Satisfaction were not lessened at present, by Reflecting upon the Disadvantages We have received this Year at Land, and the Miscarriages in Our Affairs at Sea. I Think it is Evident, That the former was only occasioned by the great Number of Our Enemies, which exceeded Ours in all Places ; for what relates to the latter, which has brought so great a Disgrace upon the Nation, I have Resented it extremely, and as I will take Care that those who have not done their Duty shall be Punished, so I am resolved to use My utmost Endeavours, that Our Power at Sea may be rightly Managed for the Future. And it will well Deserve your Consideration,

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His Majesty
My Lords and Gentlemen;

I am very Sensible of the good Assistance wherewith
you have always Assisted Me to Support the Charges of
this War, which have been very Great, and yet I am
Persuaded that the Experience of this Summer is sufficient
to Convince Us all, that to Arrive at a good End of it,
there will be a Necessity of Encreasing Our Forces both
by Sea and Land the next Year. Our Allies have Resol-
ved to Add to theirs, and I will not Doubt, but you will
have such Regard to the present Exigency, as that you will
Give Me a Suitable Supply to Enable Me to do the like.
I must therefore earnestly Recommend it to you, Gentle-
men of the House of Commons, to take such timely Re-
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